

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q87052

Gerald WALKER, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/563,594

Group Art Unit: 1794

Confirmation No.: 3282

Examiner: Jonathan C. Langman

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For: COMPOSITE MATERIAL HAVING THE APPEARANCE OF NATURAL STONE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 1, 2009, once extended from December 1, 2009 to January 1, 2010, by the filing of an appropriate Petition and payment for an extension of time submitted herewith. As January 1, 2010 is a federal holiday, the Amendment is timely submitted on Monday, January 4, 2010. Review and reconsideration on the merits in view of the following remarks and amendments is respectfully requested.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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